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Upon the Nature of the Government, the Rights of the States, and the Obligations of Citizens.

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The State of Arkansas vs. Samuel W. Williams.

OPINION.

BY THE COURT, MR. JUSTICE PIKE.

[CONTINUED FROM YESTERDAY.]

By the Declaration of Independence of 4th July, 1776, the several colonies of Great Britain, represented in the General Congress by their Delegates, solemnly published and declared that they were and of right ought to be, "free and independent States;" and, at the end of the war, Great Britain recognized and acknowledged each colony to be, what it had claimed to be, a separate Nation, a free and independent State.

In 1777 for the purpose chiefly, of common resistance and defense, these colonies, claiming to be States, had, by Articles of Confederation, formed "a firm league of friendship with each other, for their common defense, the security of their liberties, and their mutual and general welfare." It was expressly stipulated, that "Each State *retains* its Sovereignty, Freedom and Independence;" and their joint or general interests were managed by The United States in Congress assembled," in which Congress and State had one vote and paid its own Delegates. This was a simple league or partnership for special purposes, according to the declaration in the articles; and in contemplation of law, the States themselves concurrently did every act done, and exercised every power of government.

The powers thus to be jointly exercised were found not to be sufficiently extensive, nor entrusted to efficient hands. The Articles of Confederation provided that they should be inviolably observed by every State; and also declared that, "the *Union* shall be *perpetual*;" nor shall any alteration, at any time hereafter, be made in any of them" (the Articles) "unless such alteration be agreed to in a Congress of the United States, and afterwards confirmed by the Legislatures of every State."

The case, "The United States of America, in General Congress assembled," was adopted in the Declaration of Independence, as meaning merely the several American States, leagued or united together and the Articles of Confederation provided that the style of the Confederacy should be, "The United States of America."

In January, 1786, the State of Virginia, by her Legislature, proposed a Convention of Delegates from the States, for the purpose, solely, of augmenting the powers of the Congress in respect to the regulation of commerce. Such a convention was held in Annapolis, in September, 1786, five States only being represented; and it concluded its action by a recommendation that all the States should appoint Commissioners, who should meet at Philadelphia on the second Monday of May, 1787, "to take into consideration the situation of the United States, to devise such further provisions as shall appear to be necessary to render *the Constitution of our federal government* adequate to the exigencies of the *Union*, and to report such an act for that purpose to the United States in Congress assembled, as, when agreed to by them, and afterwards confirmed by the legislature of every State, will effectually provide for the same."

It thus appears, beyond possibility of contradiction, that the mere league and confederation of these States, in which each continued 'Sovereign, Free and Independent,' in which each power, jurisdiction and right, not given, in act, to the government, but only admitted when proven, They were authorized to make any alterations and changes whatever, in the Federal Constitution of articles of Confederation, which might seem to them fit, proper and necessary to preserve the States; where, when money was borrowed, the states became joint debtors, was called "THE UNION; and the phrase, "The CONSTITUTION of our Federal Government," was proper and usual.

The recommendation of the Convention being placed before Congress, it resolved, on the 21st of February, 1787, that the Convention recommended should be held "for the sole and express purpose of revising the Articles of Confederation, and reporting to Congress and the several Legislatures such alterations and provisions therein as shall, when agreed to in Congress, *and confirmed by the States*, render *the Federal Constitution* adequate to the exigencies of the *government*, and the *preservation of the Union.*"

This was resolved by the thirteen States, there in Congress assembled, and it was only following the mode of *amending* the Articles of Confederation, prescribed by those articles themselves; the Convention acting as the mere draftsman for the Congress, and having no power or function than that of preparing the alterations, for the action of the Congress and the subsequent action of each separate State.

The Articles of Confederation, agreed to in Congress on the 15th of November, 1777, were announced on the 9th of July, 1778, to have been ratified by eight States; but they were not fully ratified until the 1st of March, 1781." From the 3d of February, 1781, the Congress endeavored in vain, until 1787, to induce all the States to grant powers to regulate commerce, lay duties on imports, and to provide means for paying the public debt.

The Legislature of New York had, on the 20th of July, 1782, proposed "a General Convention of the State, specially authorized to revise and amend the Confederation, reserving a right to the respective Legislatures to ratify their determinations."

New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Virginia, were alone represented at the convention at Annapolis. These states had authorized their commissioners to act solely in regard to a uniform system of commercial intercourse and regulations, except New Jersey, which also authorized hers to consider how far a uniform system in regard to this "*and other important matters*" might be necessary to the common interest and permanent harmony of the several States; and to report such an act on the subject, as, when ratified by them, "would enable the United States in Congress assembled effectually to provide for the exigencies of *the Union.*"

Delegates to the convention of 1787 were appointed by the Legislature of each State of the thirteen, except Rhode Island, each State being as Georgia declared herself in the Commissions issued to her delegates "*By the Grace of God, Free, Sovereign and Independent.*" Virginia, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Georgia, New York, Massachusetts and Maryland, conferred on their Delegates the powers, as to the alteration and revision, specified in the resolution of the Congress of 21st of February, 1787, except that Delaware instructed hers not to consent to any change of that feature of the articles of Confederation, by which each State had but one vote in Congress.

Virginia also declared "the necessity of extending the revision of the Federal system to all its defects;" and that, as her citizens had "*united* with the other *States* in establishing a *Federal Government*," they were now willing "to concur in such further concessions and provisions as may be necessary to secure the great objects for which that *government* was instituted."

New Jersey empowered her Commissioners "to take into consideration the state of *the Union*, as to trade and other important objects, and to devise such other provisions as should appear to be necessary to render *the Constitution of the Federal Government* adequate to the exigencies thereof."

Pennsylvania, considering the representations made "by the United States in Congress assembled to the Legislatures of *the several States in the Union*, was fully convinced of the necessity "of *revising the Federal Constitution.*"

North Carolina empowered her Commissioners to "discuss and decide upon the most efficient means to remove the defects of *our Federal Union*, and to procure the enlarged purposes which it was intended to effect."

Delaware was fully convinced, also, of the necessity of "revising *the Federal Constitution*," and adding *thereto* such further provisions as may render *the same* more adequate to the exigencies *of the Union*;" and, as it was *made by* the States: for the States alone, as States, acted in drafting it, in agreeing to it in Congress, in confirming it by convention. So it is expressly declared.

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But, when we read the constitution, from beginning to end, we do not find any such purpose, plainly or indirectly announced in it *anywhere*. If the change is made, it is by implication only; and the intention is proven by the nature and tenor of his substantive provisions and the changes and alterations made, not by any words expressly to that effect. Did it mean a fraud on the States?

The only direct expression, from which so vast a change can be even argued, is, that which occurs at the very commencement of the instrument. "*We the people of the United States*," it declares, "in order to form a more perfect Union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, etc., do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

What 'people of the United States'? *What* 'United States.' If Scotland and England became one people by the Union between them, that one people did not exist as such, until the Union was consummated. The acts of Union which made them so, were the separate acts of the two nations. If both had agreed in single instrument of Union, declaring the people of the two realms thenceforward one people, the instrument would nevertheless have been the act, not of the one people created by it, but of the two realms as sovereign States, or of *the people* of each, acting separately. So, 'the people of the United States' who made the constitution, were not one people, even if the instrument which they executed made them one. Until that instrument *was* made, and began to operate, the people of Virginia and the people of New York were not one people, but as separate and distinct peoples as those of England and Russia. Nor could the people of Virginia do any political act, except by means of their State organizations. The whole could only act politically as a State, parties, counties, towns, counties and the like. Or, if they could, if they *could* have acted on the constitution as a part or fraction of the one people of all the States, they did not do so, nor was it attempted to have them do so. The phrase, therefore, or its force, must be taken distributively, and means "we the people of *each* of the States now united by articles of Confederation" and we need not argue to show that 'the people of the State,' and 'the State' are synonymous terms. Who did, in point of *fact*, ordain and establish the constitution? The States which ratified it, by the agents for they alone, and *each as a* State, acted on it. Then the phrase is simply a recognition of the principle that the People of a State are the state, a principle carefully asserted in the Bill of Rights of 1776. It was "the people of the United States" as "the United States" existed before the Constitution took effect, and acting under the existing political organizations, they *made* the constitution. Unexpired terms they acted as States, and the States made it. It is hardly to be believed that a lawyer of respectable standing would have argued, to an intelligent Court, that this expression, "We, the people of the United States," necessarily meant the one people of all the States, since that assertion is no *more* necessary, legitimate or reasonable than the other, at least. The words may with quite as *much* reason be taken distributively as collectively, if there were nothing elsewhere to control the construction.

On the 17th of September, 1787, the convention finally agreed upon the draft of a constitution; and gave it as the opinion of their States that the constitution ought, after being laid before Congress, "to be submitted to a convention of delegates, chosen in each State by the people thereof, under the recommendation of its legislature;" and that, when "the conventions of nine States" should have ratified it; *the United States in Congress assembled*, should fix a day on which Electors should be appointed by "the *States* in which shall have ratified the same." All this was done in convention, by the unanimous consent of the States present.

The letter, addressed by unanimous order of the convention, to the President of the Congress, and signed by Washington as President of the Convention, does not say that the formation of a new 'government,' taking the place of the Union of the States; but, saying that the friends of the country had long seen and desired that certain great powers "should be fully and effectually vested in the general government of the Union," and speaking of the impracticability, "in the Federal government of these States, to secure *all* rights of independent sovereignty to each, and yet provide for the interest and safety of all," it declares that the convention had always kept steadily in view "the consolidation of the Union," which led each State in Convention to make concessions, and the constitution to be the result of "a spirit of amity, and that mutual deference and concession which the peculiarity of our political situation rendered indispensable."

If the constitution was intended to put an end to the existing Union of the States, not to be a compact between them, but "a government power" over them and the people of all; if the existing Union was not to make a more close and more *solid*, but to disappear; if the constitution did not contain concessions made by the *States*, and did not show the mutual deference of State to State; if 'Union' and 'Constitution' and 'Government' and 'Federal' were words to be henceforward taken in a more sense, this letter was more jesuitical and more reticent of the truth, more disingenuous and dishonest, than any other ever written, and Machiavelli had a pupil who excelled his master, in the art of using words to conceal the meaning.

On the 28th of September, Congress ordered the Constitution reported to be transmitted to the several Legislatures, "in order to be submitted to a convention of delegates chosen in each State by the people thereof."

By the 7th Article of the Constitution, the ratification of it by the conventions of nine States was to be sufficient for its establishment, "between the States so ratifying the same." On the 21st of June, 1788, the ninth State, New Hampshire, ratified it. Virginia did so on the 26th of June; and New York on the 28th of July. On the 13th of September, Congress, finding it so ratified, fixed, by resolution, the days for appointing electors, for the electors to assemble and vote, and for "commencing the proceedings under the said constitution." The latter was the first Wednesday in March, 1789. North Carolina did not ratify the constitution until the 21st of November, 1789; and Rhode Island did so on the 29th of May, 1790.

Ten amendments, proposed by Congress on the demand of many of the States, were ratified by the constitutional number of States, on the 15th of December, 1791; the 11th was declared adopted, on the 8th of January, 1798; and the 12th was announced as adopted, on the 25th of September, 1804.

From this review of the facts of history it is perfectly clear, that, if the radical change in the *nature* of the 'government,' since insisted on, *was* really made by the constitution, no such fusion of the people of all the States into one mass, no such compact of individuals, instead of a compact between States, no such 'government proper' created by the people of all, acting as a unit, and not by the States as sovereigns, was anticipated or dreamed of in advance. We find no where any indication of an intention to annul "*the Union the States*," or any declaration of any necessity for doing so; none that 'the Federal constitution' was to be henceforward a thing of a totally different nature; none that 'the Federal compact' was no longer to exist, and the phrase itself become nonsense; none that the States had dropped, shorn of their beams, like Lucifer, to a lower sphere; and that, from stars, they had become satellites or asteroids, to revolve round a great central sun; none, that the declared object of *every* State, in effect which the convention was empowered to assemble, the preservation of the *existing* Union of the States, was abandoned without a syllable of regret or a word of kind remembrance; none that the Union was no longer a partnership of many links, but a conglomerate of individuals, composing one people; that people, and not the States the makers of the constitution. The States sate in the convention; and each State ratified the constitution for itself. No vote of the whole people of all was so taken that the majority of the whole could be ascertained, nor was it sought to ascertain it. All that was asked was a ratification by each State. How then did the one people make it? Clearly, if it ever made them one people, as soon as it was in operation, it was *made by* the States: for the States alone, as States, acted in drafting it, in agreeing to it in Congress, in confirming it by convention. So it is expressly declared.

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TRUE PROGRESS.

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Has it occurred to our readers to reflect how utterly valueless the political discussions and debates of the last eight years, in Congress and out of it, have for the most part, become? If we read the debates of the Convention of 1787, and those of the State Conventions that acted on the Constitution, much of what was said seems absolutely absurd, and very little of it is now of the least practical importance. The Virginia and Kentucky resolutions were imagined to form a large part of the creed of the governing party of the country, for a third of a century; and now they have suddenly become obsolete, and worthless as an old nursery rhyme. What a vain labour have most of the great debates proved, upon what were considered the essential principles of free government! With infinite toil and by continual disputation our statesmen succeeded in confining the general government within its proper and limited sphere until 1861, and it then suddenly expanded to dimensions of which the most latitudinarian constructionist never dreamed. Consider, for example, the debates upon the sedition laws, enacted in the time of the first ADAMS; and compare the doctrines that then prevailed, with those that now constitute political orthodoxy. What was the Sedition law, and how subject to the imputation of unconstitutionality, compared with the SHERMAN bill to establish a military despotism, now soon to be followed by a bill to establish a standing army of negroes, and to be sustained by taking from a whole people the privilege of the writ of Habeas Corpus, and by martial law, to be declared at pleasure by a Brigadier General? If we look around us upon the condition of affairs, and inquire in what manner or particulars the Politicians and Statesmen and leaders of the South have benefited it by their labours and discussions, what will be the reply? Most of them, we now know, wrought infinite mischief; and the labours of most of those who did not, have proven utterly valueless.

When South Carolina undertook to nullify an act of Congress, striking it with paralysis within her limits, she remaining a State in the Union, the attempt was so contrary to reason and to her own theory of the government, that it was only necessary to say that she could not remain in the Union and not obey the laws, which must be taken, so long as she so remained, to have been enacted by herself. If the Constitution was a compact between the States, she had not only not reserved to herself any such right, but she had absolutely precluded herself from claiming or exercising it, by agreeing that the Constitution and the laws passed in pursuance of it should be supreme. But General JACKSON went unnecessarily further, and denied the right of a State to withdraw from the Union: and to that has been in a great measure owing the present annihilation of the doctrine of State rights, and the actual extinction of the rights themselves. If the right of secession had been generally conceded, as an extreme remedy, to be used in the last resort, when the Constitution was violated and all other remedies failed, the fact of its existence would have been the most effectual preventative of encroachments upon the rights of the States, and violation of the Constitutional promises and pledges. That a power or a right exists may be of immense value, though it is never exercised; as for example, the power of the Commons to stop the supplies, and the power to impeach the President. In fact, extreme remedies, resorted to on slight occasions, lose their virtue, and powers too often exercised become odious or inconvenient, and are annulled.

There were never very many men in Congress at any one time, who deserved the name of Statesmen. If we look over the list of those who have for thirty years represented or more frequently misrepresented any particular Southwestern State, we shall confess that the people have not considered statesmanship an essential qualification of a member of Congress. They have very commonly seemed to regard the absence of it as a recommendation, and particularly so while the Confederacy existed. The chief requisite during many of the later years, was to have been "born a Democrat." Lawyers were generally preferred, and claimed the people's votes, as it were, by prescription, because statesmanship was supposed chiefly to consist in the ability to argue Constitutional questions. It was very rare to find a Southern member who could discuss questions of revenue and finance intelligently. There were such men; and sometimes their intellect and ability were pressed into the public service; but where one such was in office, there were scores who were mere lawyers, and many of them very shabby ones.

For it was rather deemed unconstitutional to legislate for the material interests, the improvement or the education of the people; and it was not important that a legislator should possess the knowledge to enable him to do so wisely.

Nor did the States of the South legislate wisely. There was no class of men among its legislators and Statesmen who devoted their intellect and knowledge to the best public service, that of elevating the people by means of education, of developing the resources of the country, multiplying the employments of the people, making labour honourable and the people self-dependent, and preparing the South to maintain creditably at some future time a separate Nationality.

We had, for example, no common school system, worthy of the name. Or did not diversify the productions of the country. We quarreled about duties on woollen and cotton goods, instead of growing the wool as we grew the cotton, and manufacturing enough of both to supply our own needs. Our mines of coal, iron and lead remained unopened, to enrich our future conquerors. Our immense water-power was worthless as rains that fall in sandy deserts that no man inhabits. We permitted the North to import for us, to buy and sell for us. Our planters were overseers for commission merchants, and the prices of their cotton rose and fell at the pleasure, or for the profit of Wall street gamblers in stocks. Trashy political newspapers we had, thick as the leaves in Val Ombrosa; but we with difficulty maintained one quarterly Review and two or three monthly magazines. We paid the North to carry our cotton to market, and the North and England to manufacture it for us, thus paying for the food and clothing of English and Yankee operatives, and employing the mill owners at enormous wages in the shape of dividends, to do that which should have been done at home. Thus we gave our laboring white population no remunerative employment, nor educated their children, but cared only for their votes. Norfolk remained a village, and Charleston and Savannah stood still. We had the nearest and best route to the Pacific, but although we could elect Democratic Presidents, and govern the country, we could not procure aid from the government to build a railroad that should monopolize the trade of the Indies. We held commercial conventions, of lawyers and politicians, and when slavery was about to disappear, they discussed the re-opening of the slave-trade. Our "statesmen" knew so little of what was passing in the world, that they idly dreamed that "Cotton was King," and that, when our civil war commenced, we had only to hold our cotton to compel England and France to recognize us. When we should have left the Northwest to the North, and developed our own South-west, we staked our fate and fortunes upon an insane attempt to make Kansas a slave State, and proposed to purchase Cuba from Spain, and filibustered there and in Central America. We stoutly resisted all amendment of the naturalization laws, in order to fill up the Northwest with foreigners, whose bullets were soon to decimate our male population. With a country admirably adapted to the production of grain and the raising of stock and esculent vegetables, corn has almost universally been worth five times its price in Illinois, and often ten times; and the North had supplied us with breadstuffs and meats. It is neither better or worse in that respect, now, than it was before the war. Look round Memphis, and see whence come our mutton, beef, pork, bacon, apples, potatoes, turnips, cabbage, flour and even meal.

And our journals say that the scarcity of food is not owing to the unfavourableness of the season, but to the little dependence to be placed upon the labour of the freedmen. What community of white men ever before needed another race to raise them food? What can the future of a country be, that can breed politicians and lawyers in abundance, and have a little retail dealer at every corner to take tithes and toll in profits; that can make cotton bales by the labour of freedmen, but whose white men cannot, by the labour of their own hands, with a fertile soil and a genial climate, make bread and meat enough to feed themselves and their wives and children? Is it not time to get rid of the politicians, and to cease whining about the laziness and unreliability of the freedmen, to gird up our own loins, and address ourselves to the task of becoming truly independent? In work and production and manufacturing for ourselves, we are to find real independence; and in that independence lies our only salvation.

WILD-CAT BANKING.

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, speaking of the vote of the House of Representatives, that there ought to be no curtailment of the existing paper currency, says that the logical result of it, if it is to be taken as an expression of public judgment, is National bankruptcy. If sustained, he thinks, the vote may be regarded as the first blow struck in a great war on the currency question; and adds as follows:

> There will naturally be resistance to a perpetuation of insolvency as leading to inevitable national bankruptcy. Dangerous combinations will thence arise, and these will threaten the breaking up of parties. There always was greater explosive force in money questions than in political, for the reason that whatever touches the pocket nerve, is the first thing felt throughout the system. When the paper money system breaks down, as all paper money systems do break down, unless there is wisdom enough to curtail and remit them to the control of the laws of trade, and finance, a revulsion of public feeling is the consequence, and vengeance is wreaked on the instrument of disorder and ruin. We may thus look forward to see the vials of wrath poured out ultimately on the banks and banking system, and see them overwhelmed under a storm of public opprobrium. This is the uniform end of all "wild-cat" banking; and we put all banking on irredeemable paper under this head, whether it be private paper or government paper.
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> Whether or no it is better in the long run for our paper money system to be carried on to its bursting by their inflating process may be a question. The ever growing increase of the supply of the precious metals, points to the ultimate destruction of all banks of issue, simply for the reason that the necessity for them becomes superseded thereby. The inflation or, more properly speaking, the increase of the volume of the precious metals in circulation, is sufficient to regularly and materially enhance prices, and thereby derange trade and unsettle the pecuniary affairs and relations of all classes. This increase is to-day acting as a great disturbing element throughout the world. The interest of all, consists in reducing it to its minimum proportions, and this can best be done, and only done, by suppressing bank issues. In commercial countries, and those where the paper currency is steady, there is a difficulty in disturbing existing institutions. Paper money may thus in many cases last beyond the period of its usefulness; in fact after it has become an acknowledged evil. If it should be destroyed here by a catastrophe, it would work immense ruin for the time being, but in the long run it might prove advantageous by giving this country the start among commercial nations, on a pure metallic circulation.
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> I see no other possible meritorious result from the policy of the "wild cat" inflationists. If they favor this result at the inevitable cost of the destruction of our paper money system, and everything that rests upon it, they have the satisfaction of knowing they have taken the first step toward it.

In our view of the matter, the National Bank system is no better than that which was tried and failed in several of the States, of establishing Banks and basing their circulation on a deposit of State bonds. We fail to see any substantial difference. The bonds of the State of Tennessee were worth more then on the dollar, in gold, than those of the United States are now. Paper not redeemable in coin cannot long be kept at any thing like par, although receivable for public dues, and although made a legal tender. When it is first made, it enables debtors to rob their creditors, by paying every hundred dollars they owe, with seventy-five or eighty. Afterwards, contracts are made on the basis of the value of the currency as compared with gold. In our case, the Government discredits its own paper, by refusing to receive it for duties. Circumstances may keep the paper up for a while, but it will at last depreciate as the French Assignats did, which represented real estate. JOHN LAW's banking system had a better basis than ours, and it finally collapsed and the paper became worthless. The bubble must burst some day, and whenever it begins, all the banks will go together. Mr. Secretary MCCULLOCH, we have noticed, is not deemed as infallible as he was; and there will never be one who can manage a National debt so immense as ours, and which taxes the people so heavily to pay the interest upon it. A man may borrow, and renew his notes, and keep his kites continually flying, but in the end the Jeremy Diddler system always fails. It requires no financial skill to borrow money and execute notes for it.

Of course, as long as any system continues in apparently successful operation, there will be persons enough to demonstrate, at least to their own satisfaction, that it is faultless, and its failure impossible. After a time it fails, and then you are surprised to find how many persons had always known it was certain to do so.

The same correspondent concludes his discourse thus, in another number:

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> Congress is full of people, or full of the friends of people who are engaged in trade and speculation, and want to keep up prices, as well as those who are interested in the national banks, and do not desire or intend to relinquish the rapacious profits now being earned by these institutions. So to the extent it is thus influenced, it is plain to be seen that it is a totally unfit body to act on the financial question. And as the money pressure, which has only just begun, increases in strength and urgency, and the dullness of times increases, which are the natural and inevitable results of our circumstances, they will become more and more unfit for this duty.
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> It is to the credit of the seaboard representatives and the great commercial centers, that, with some notable exceptions, they either do not represent selfish interests or they are possessed of sufficient sense and intelligence to see where the true interest of the solvent banks, and the solvent portion of the country resides, and to vote accordingly. But the house vote on inflation shows that the great rich, eager, impetuous, bulging west and northwest, is up to its eyes in corn, cattle and corner lots at high prices; and in big debts and fancy banking, and other similar luxuries. An analysis of the recent vote in favor of indefinite suspension and national solvency, shows that New York, New England and Pennsylvania cast forty-four votes against this pernicious measure to nineteen votes for it. It was the thundering avalanche from the northwest that swept through the house and did the business. It is this body of powerful men, who, and whose constituents, have been at once the victims and admirers of "wild cat" banking ever since that country began to fill. There is a magnificence in the idea of an illimitable paper currency that fills their imagination, and makes them dote on its possession. They have been scalded, and skinned, and singed by it in the past. It has bankrupted individuals, bankrupted communities, bankrupted states, in that region, but the inhabitants are not cured or weaned from their original strong propossessions in its favor. They almost unanimously hail the existing inflation of the currency as a blessing, and some of their leading men are even now proposing to add to the fermenting mass. They imagine they have got a sure holding ground in the government credit, and that no strain they can put upon that credit can bring it to the breaking point. This perfect view has evidently infected the public mind to a surprising extent. We hear it often said, that the country needs no better currency than irredeemable paper money. That a broken promise to pay is the highest form of security. Having obtained such a currency as this, nothing is wanting but to hold on to what we have, and get more of the same sort as fast as possible.
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> It is an alarming fact that the house of representatives appears to have fallen into this habit of thought. It seems to have, through the predominance of northwestern votes, become a convert to a belief in the devilish device of an irredeemable paper currency, and worshippers of the "wild-cat" banking system under a new form.
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> It became a very serious question how to treat this new development. Many of the states of the union have been driven into bankruptcy and disgrace, heretofore, under less relative pressures of debt than now weigh upon the country. What has been done before, may be done again. And with its staggering load of obligations, it is not at all a difficult thing to carry the federal government also into bankruptcy. It needs nothing in the world to do it but a little mismanagement of our finances. One foul move, and a fire that a thousand wise men cannot extinguish. It is only necessary for the country to adopt the policy of continued inflation, to accomplish this result effectually.
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> But, it is said, the house of representatives don't mean inflation. They only mean inflation. Opposition to contraction means inflation. Refusal to contract this year, means expansion next. Why refuse to contract? For the old reason which precedes all bankruptcies. "The business of the country cannot stand it. It produces panics, failures, collapse, &c." But if simple refusal to contract produces no relief, as it will not, and pressure, failures, and collapse still come, what then? Relief in the shape of expansion. Why not? The logic in each case is precisely the same. If you cannot save the business, the enterprise, the industry, the speculations of the country by refusing to contract, that is of, itself evidence that expansion is necessary, and expansion will accordingly come. It is the old story. Men who will not stand up to a policy of reasonable restriction looking toward ultimate resumption, now, will go down like falling grain before the financial storm reaches its height, and shelter themselves under inflation or any other folly, to escape from the position of resistance to what they think is their own interests, or what others may short sightedly think to be theirs.
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> I may say, then, in few words that the existing position of the house on the financial question means ruin to the business and the solvency of the country, and bankruptcy to the government. This is strong language, I know, but it will be justified by every sound financier in the country. Only let the action of the government be consistent with the late vote of the house, and be carried out to its logical results, and we shall bring upon ourselves the greatest financial catastrophe in the history of the country. But how to make the public understand its peril is the great difficulty. How to treat this late development so as to arrest its evil tendencies is the problem. I hardly know, unless it be to circulate the speeches of some of the champions of "wild cat" banking, if people could be got to peruse them, it might serve some useful purpose.
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The REVIEW is edited by A. T. BLEDSOE, well known as a vigorous writer and fine scholar. We have not been asked to publish the prospectus; but we see much rejoice to see a Southern Quarterly of high character established, that we please ourselves, and we hope to please our readers, by copying from it so much as follows; as it is of general and permanent interest, and peculiarly well said:

> This *Review* will be devoted to the South. In seeking, however, to secure the rights and to promote the interests of the south, no injury will be intended to any other section of the country. It will, on the contrary, be the great object of the *Review* to advance the prosperity and glory of all sections, by opposing everywhere, and on all occasions, the practice of injustice and wrong.
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> If any portion of the world ever needed such an organ, it is the despised, the disfranchised, and the down-trodden people of the south. Hence, among her friends, there are men of learning and genius, who will gladly contribute the splendid labors of their brain to the pages of the *Southern Review*. The services of a corps of such writers have, indeed, already been secured, and others will no doubt be induced to enlist in the great cause to which the *Review* is dedicated.
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> The best means of promoting the financial, the industrial, the economical, the intellectual, the moral and the social well being of the south, are among the momentous questions, demanding the earnest reflection and the wisest counsels of all her friends, which will be elaborately and fully discussed in the *Review*.
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> The great subject of southern education will, also, form a prominent topic of discussion. The people of the south have already resolved that our school books and our teachers shall no longer be imported from abroad; that the minds of our sons and daughters shall be moulded, and their thoughts directed, by our own thinkers and scholars. But how shall all this be accomplished? How shall the capacity of the south to produce her own school books and teachers be roused to successful action? How shall her powers of thought be developed, and set to work in the production of a science, a literature, and a philosophy of her own, which shall, in due time, challenge and command the admiration of the civilized world? Upon the manner in which these subjects are dealt with, the glory of the south must, as every thinking man is perfectly aware, necessarily depend, and it is precisely upon these subjects that the *Southern Review* is particularly desirous of being heard.
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> Nor will the causes and consequences of the war be ignored in its pages. For, until these are comprehended, the future must remain veiled from our eyes, nay, the past itself must be grievously misunderstood. "If any history be useful to those who manage republics," says Machiavelli, "it is that which exhibits the causes of discord and divisions."
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> What these causes are, and how they have worked in our history, is still a mystery to the people. The mists of prejudice and passion, raised by the arts of a wicked race of demagogues and deceivers, have concealed these terrible secrets from their eyes; and consequently their true remedy for the evils under which they themselves have been made to groan. These causes are, indeed, only known to that obscure diligence which has sought for truth, not in the noisy forum of politics, but in the silent records of the country, by long years of patient study and protracted meditation. No other knowledge, it is believed, is so well adapted to stamp on the minds of the people the sublime lessons of moderation, mutual forbearance, and justice; without which the order and happiness of the republic are among the wildest of utopian dreams. Hence it is in the interest of all sections, as well as in the great interest of history itself, that the *Southern Review* will endeavor to unveil the real causes of the war of 1861. Finally, all the more interesting questions of the day, pertaining to science, politics, literature, and philosophy, will be discussed in the pages of the *Review*.
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> —The Wisconsin state horticultural society, at its recent meeting at Madison, offered two premiums on cultivated forest trees—one of one hundred dollars for the best ten acres, and another of fifty dollars for the best five acres—to be planted the coming season, and the awards to be made at three years old, or in 1870.
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> —Artemus Ward has left England for the Island of Jersey. By the advice of Dr. Hastings, he has suddenly discontinued his lectures, as the only possible chance of saving his life.

DECISION OF THE SUPREME COURT

NASHVILLE, TENN., February 26, 1867.

The supreme court decided the famous Tennessee bank note case to-day. That your readers may clearly understand the decision, I will premise that the 12th section of the bank act guaranteed that the notes of the bank should be taken for taxes. In 1865 this section was repealed. The merchants tendering Tennessee bank money for taxes held that the 12th section was a guarantee for all notes issued prior to its repeal. The cases likely to arise might be:

1. Persons who were the original holders of notes under the guarantee of the 12th section of the bank act, wishing to pay taxes accruing prior to the repeal of the 12th section.

2. Persons who were the original holders of notes under the guarantee of the 12th section of the bank act, wishing to pay taxes accruing subsequent to the repeal of the 12th section.

Neither of these cases were presented or adjudicated by the court, which expressly declared that it expressed no opinion relative to them.

3. Persons holding notes of the bank of Tennessee, which said notes were issued prior to the repeal of the 12th section, but who make no allegation that they were original holders, or that they became possessed of the notes prior to the repeal of the 12th section.

In this case the court decided that the state did not guarantee to such holders, subsequent to the repeal of the 12th section, that the notes in their hands should be received for taxes. The 12th section did not give a guarantee running with the notes; but was in the nature of a contract with each individual, who, prior to the repeal of the 12th section, took the bank of Tennessee notes.

It is said that the decision will be carried to the United States court.

O JUDGMENT, THOU ART FLED TO BRUTISH BEASTS, AND MEN HAVE LOST THEIR REASON.

We read the following, in the Congressional proceedings of February 20. When the bill there recited goes into effect, all the villainies of KIRKE's Lambs, and all the savage murders of CLAVERHOUSE's Dragoons, and all the butcheries of the Duke of Alva, will be eclipsed. Surely these men must think there is no God. We would like to have those who object to 'masterly inactivity,' and who propose to our people to engage in political organization and form political alliances, tell us what they think the people can do, when this bill shall have passed and the jubilee and carnival of MOLOCH shall have commenced?

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the meeting hour, (commencing at three o'clock,) of the bill to provide for organizing, arming and equipping the militia.

Mr. Harding, of Illinois, member of the committee on the militia, explained and advocated the bill.

The bill consists of thirty-six sections, of which the following are the most important:

Section one provides that all able-bodied male persons who shall have been born or naturalized in the United States, or shall have declared, according to law, their intention to become citizens thereof, or shall have actually voted at any state, territorial, county or municipal election thereof, and shall be residents of any of the states or territories thereof, and not less than eighteen nor more than forty-five years of age, excepting only Indians not taxed, idiots, lunatics, and persons convicted of any infamous crime, shall be liable to enrollment in the enrolled militia.

The second section provides that the national guard of active militia shall consist of two regiments of infantry in each congressional district and territory represented in the congress of the United States, and also such other forces of infantry, cavalry and artillery as the respective states and territories, so represented, may organize, arm and equip, in accordance with the system prescribed in this act, all of which troops shall be organized of volunteers; and no person shall be an officer, non-commissioned officer, or private in said national guard who shall be disqualified for, or exempt from enrollment in the enrolled militia, or shall ever have voluntarily borne arms against the United States, or shall have voluntarily given aid, countenance, counsel, or encouragement to persons engaged in armed hostility thereto, or shall have sought, or accepted, or attempted to exercise the functions of any office whatever under any authority or pretended authority in hostility thereto, or shall have yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority, power, or constitution within the United States hostile or inimical thereto; and there shall be no discrimination between the white and colored persons under this act, but they shall respectively be entitled to separate company and regimental organizations, and the number of white and colored troops, respectively, armed, equipped, clothed, and paid by the United States in each congressional district and territory under the provisions of this act shall be proportionate to the white and colored population thereof.

The third section provides for the appointment of an assistant secretary of war, at a salary of $5000.

The fifth section provides that all persons who shall enlist in the national guard, and all commissioned officers, shall serve three years. Brigade and division officers are to be appointed and commissioned by the governor of the state or territory, and regimental and company officers to be elected. In time of peace the national guard shall obey all orders issued by the assistant secretary of war, within the scope of the powers conferred upon congress over the militia by the constitution, and all orders issued by the governor, within the scope of the authority reserved by the constitution to the states. Officers, non-commissioned officers and privates shall receive two dollars a day, for the performance of drill duties, etc., not to exceed ten dollars a year.

The twenty-sixth section provides that whenever congress shall declare war, and portion of the national guard of congress shall provide, shall become part of the army of the United States, and any officer, non-commissioned officer, or private who shall refuse or neglect to report for duty shall be liable to trial, conviction, and punishment for desertion. On the re-establishment of peace the troops are to be mustered out of the army, and into the national guard. Commissions in the army are to be hereafter granted only to graduates of the United States military academy and of the schools of the national guard, and to persons who have served one year as officers, non-commissioned officers, or privates in the regular or volunteer service, in the naval or marine forces, or in the national guard.

Section thirty-three provides for the establishment, within eighteen months, of four schools of the national guard, at places to be designated by joint resolutions of congress.

Mr. Ross expressed the hope that the gentleman who had charge of the bill (Mr. Payne) would let it go over till next session, when there would be more time to act upon it. It appeared to be obnoxious as providing for a standing army.

Mr. Paine declined to adopt that suggestion.

Mr. Eldridge moved to lay the bill on the table. Negatived—48 to 103.

Mr. LeBlond moved that the house adjourn, and called for the yeas and nays.

The house refused to adjourn.

The morning hour having expired, the house passed from the consideration of the bill, which went over till to-morrow.

TENNESSEE.

—The amount of coal consumed in Nashville the past twelve months is estimated at 800,000 bushels.

—About twenty Pennsylvanians who, some time ago settled in Coffee county, have "picked up their traps and departed" in consequence of the negro suffrage bill.

—The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in this state, has proclaimed the 26th of April next a day of thanksgiving and prayer.

—Thirty-nine hogsheads of leaf tobacco arrived in Nashville on Monday. This is taken as an evidence that the tobacco season has opened in earnest in that locality.

—The *News* says the farmers in Lincoln county are all at work. The wheat crop never before looked so promising at this time of the year.

—Mr. T. Blackwell was shot at Trenton a few days since, by S. N. C. Cullock, for the same place. The difficulty grew out of a snowballing frolic. It is thought that Mr. Blackwell will recover.

—The remains of the late Maj. James L. Riggs, who died recently in Arkansas, were reinterred in the city cemetery, at Clarksville on last Sunday morning. Also the remains of his son, Howard Riggs.

—The road bed of the Edgefield and Kentucky railroad, from State Line, the present terminus, to Hendersonville, Ky., a distance of about one hundred miles, was sold at auction in Hopkinsville, Ky., on Saturday, to Gen. Kirby Smith and Gen. Boyle, for $20,000.

—In the senate, on Monday, a resolution was introduced regulating the per diem of members so that they shall be paid four dollars per day in gold, or its equivalent in currency, in view of the depreciated value of the present circulating medium.

—The Franklin *Review* says everything in Williamson county denotes prosperity and a stirring spirit of progression. Town lots are becoming more valuable, as was evinced by the sale of real estate belonging to the late Hon. John Marshall, which was sold on last Saturday, most of the property bringing at least fifty per cent. more than was anticipated. Improvements in the way of new buildings and repairing old ones still go forward with animation.

The members of the Bristol division Sons of Temperance have under consideration the project of forming a joint stock company for the purpose of building a large and elegant hall.

BREVITIES.

—Crop accounts from Brazil are unfavorable. There is an increased demand for Rio coffee.

—Quite a number of fine vessels will be built at Buffalo, N. Y., this season, mostly propellers.

—Maple sugar has been made in some favored localities in Vermont, but the "sap season" will not commence for two weeks.

—The "run" of shad in the Georgia and South Carolina rivers has been small this season.

—The charter election in Syracuse, N. Y., resulted in the choice of a democratic mayor and a majority of the common council.

—A disturbance recently occurred between immigrants in Brazil from the United States. A party of northerners attacked and attempted to burn a sawmill belonging to the southerners.

—Advices from Rio Janeiro state that the referee in the case of Roberts & Snyder's breech-loaders had reported in favor of the former, an American invention, for adoption in the Brazilian army.

—The banquet given by the St. Paul (Minn.) press to their brethren on the 20th was a magnificent affair. Toasts, speeches and sentiments were of a high order.

—Henderson, Ky., contains no less than sixteen tobacco factories, with an average number of fifty workmen each, all of whom are black. Most of the factories are already full of tobacco, and still a large portion of the crop is to be hauled in from the plantations.

—The report from Mexico that Juarez had been taken prisoner grew out of an unexpected attack made by Miramon with 3000 men upon Zacatecas. Miramon's official dispatch says Juarez escaped, owing to the velocity of his carriage.

—A telegram from Naples reports that a magazine of gunpowder exploded at Posilippo, near that city, and a number of lives were lost by the disaster.

—A bill has passed the United States senate prohibiting the payment of claims to any person who joined the army of the Southern Confederacy.

—James J. Byrne has been appointed United States marshal for the eastern district of Texas.

—Robert W. Healy has received the appointment of United States marshal for the southern district of Alabama.

—The president has appointed A. B. Shroeder, Esq., postmaster at Helena, Ark.

—A woman named Sweets shot her husband at a ball at Hoboken, N. J., Saturday night. Cause jealousy and neglect. She is under arrest to await the result of the injuries.

—Disbursements for the past week, $7,909,979, of which $5,347,026 are for the war department. Receipts from internal revenue, $2,460,320. Receipts from customs for the past week at New York were $2,017,205; Boston, $285,619; Philadelphia, $200,870; Baltimore, $71,411; New Orleans, $135,124.

—Among the appropriations made by the United States congress are, for the survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, $250,000; survey of the western coast, $130,000; survey of South Florida reefs, $25,000.

—The French transport steamer Gironde bound to France via Martinique from Vera Cruz, with 900 troops and five months' provisions on board, was wrecked on Base Bush key, about twelve miles from Kingston, Jamaica, on the 6th instant.

—Hon. A. H. Marland has been elected United States senator by a convention of both houses of the Arkansas legislature.

—William Callett, a clerk employed by Richardson, Northman & Co., of Cincinnati, is charged with embezzling his employers out of $3500, collected by him as their traveling agent.

—This seems to be a very unfavorable winter to lumbermen in Maine. The swamps are not frozen, the snow is deep. Lakes and streams are not frozen sufficiently to admit of hauling hay and grain from one point to another.

—The societe generale of Paris had agreed to furnish the maximum capital of $40,000,000 required for the Virginia canal company.

—Helena, the capital of Montana, has 226 business houses, 4 churches, 3 schoolhouses, 5 hotels, 8 restaurants, 1 hospital, 1 Masonic hall, 2 printing establishment, 1 iron foundry, 1 steam cracker bakery, 3 ground coffee and spice manufacturers, 9 wholesale grocer houses, with stocks ranging from $40,000 to $550,000, 1 soap and candle manufactory, 6 lager beer breweries, 1 whisky distillery, 1 vinegar factory, 2 manufactories of self-rising flour, 1 powder magazine, besides an equal proportion of all other branches of business establishments.

—It is intimated that Gov. STEUART, of Maryland, will not be allowed to take his seat in the senate of the fortieth congress until his credentials are fully examined by the judiciary committee.

—A large portion of the "burnt district" in Richmond, Va., has been rebuilt, and many beautiful business blocks now rear their fronts where twelve months ago nothing met the eye but charred ruins and heaps of ashes.

—Rev. Dr. McCarron, archdeacon of the Catholic diocese of New York, died on Saturday.

—The molders who are on a strike in Louisville appear to be pretty generally armed. One of them who was drunk shot a boy with whom he had had an altercation.

—A blacksmith in Pittsburg became tired of existence, one day last week, and tried to beat out his brain with a sledge-hammer. He inflicted several ugly wounds on his head before his fellow-workmen could interfere.

—Belle Boyd has arrived at Boston, and is stopping at the Tremont House. She says that she is engaged to play in "The Hugenot Captain," at Wallack's New York theater.

—A Paris paper says Menken dances like Lola Montez and writes like *Miss* Beecher *Stowes*. It concludes by asserting that her success is "pyramidal."

—A man died in St. Louis the other day from a gangrened arm, which resulted from a bite on the thumb received during a street fight.

—Oil has been struck in Ray county, Missouri. The St. Louis Petroleum company have a well there pumping one hundred barrels per day.

—The Boston *Transcript's* funny man says that "the applicants for the Boston custom house have increased rapidly in number since the facilities for making money out of the office have been revealed."

—The recent freshet made a gully in a sandy road in East Bridgewater, Conn., three hundred feet long, forty feet wide and from ten to seventeen feet deep.

—An official report to congress, by the secretary of the treasury, shows that the gross proceeds of the sales of captured cotton amounted to nearly $29,500,000, and the gross proceeds of the sale of miscellaneous property $1,785,561.

—The number of emigrants who arrived in New York last week was 1670, making 10,892 since January 1st, against 15,184 during the corresponding period of last year.

—The treasurer of the New York ladies' southern relief association acknowledges the receipt of $15,606 to be applied for the relief of the distress in the southern states.

—It is rumored in England that another rebellion threatens to break out in India. If so, there may be a chance for the Fenians.

—The Norfolk papers state that the Rev. H. A. Wise, son of the late General, has accepted a call to the rectorship of Christ Church, Baltimore.

—Chicago at present contains hundreds of houses marked "for rent," and the newspapers of that city say that rents are declining. A number of persons in this city would like to say the same.

—Maple sugar making has commenced quite early in Newport, Conn. Joseph Tower of that town made on the 9th and 14th of this month, from one hundred trees in his sugar orchard, sixty-one pounds of sugar. In about two weeks, provided the weather proves immediately favorable, sugar-making in the eastern states will be general.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

[WESTERN ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTS.]

Night Dispatches.

FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—The bill in relation to the navy was amended and passed to-day.

The compound interest bill, passed two months since, was agreed to, authorizing redemption of maturing notes by loan certificates, at three per cent., was amended so that no national bank shall pay or receive interest on any portion of its reserve, when deposited in any other national bank, and compound interest notes not to be held as reserves after July 1st. Agreed to and bill passed.

The omnibus appropriation bill was read.

The house considered the naval appropriation bill, total $16,000,000, which was somewhat amended and passed.

The house went into a committee of the whole on the tariff bill, amended to leave the valuation to depend upon the price in the principle markets in the country. Amendments reported by the ways and means committee, numbering twenty to thirty, were adopted.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, February 27.—Henry Amey in New Mexico.

Gov. Amey reports Indians peaceable but those in Arizona on the war path. The troops have been compelled to leave the military camp on Membrees. The settlers have gone to Messilla. Sixteen hundred Indians left for the reservation near Fort Goodwin, New Mexico.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27.—Hong Kong, on the 13th of January, was threatened by rebels. The country people were flocking to the Craven standard. Lounkoes has been reinforced by imperial troops. Vice Pekin is collecting forces to march on Theuslie. Reinfi had taken possession of the capital.

There has been great destruction of rice on the coast, near Penong, by flood.

A fire at Yeddo destroyed four miles of houses, including commercial quarters.

FROM FRANKFORT.

FRANKFORT, February 27.—Last night a negro was arrested and confined in jail charged with attempting to violate the person of a little white girl a few miles out in the country, and seriously injuring her. It is said he will be hanged to-night.

FROM LEXINGTON.

LEXINGTON, February 27.—Jas. Robertson, son of Chief Justice Robertson, was found dead in the suburbs this morning, from intemperance and exposure.

FROM CAIRO.

CAIRO, February 27.—St. Charles, from New Orleans to Louisville, Louisiana, from New Orleans to Louisville, David Watts, from Evansville to Memphis, and Osceola passed. The Mississippi, from New Orleans to St. Louis, passed up at 11 a.m. and the P. W. Strader at noon.

FROM LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, February 27.—The river is falling at the rate of two inches per hour, but is still at high tide. The steamer Nicholas Longworth has arrived from New Orleans; the Alice Dean from Cincinnati for New Orleans, and the Robert Burns from Cincinnati to Memphis, have passed down.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, February 27.—The government promises to introduce a regular reform bill into parliament.

The United States consul at Pireus reports the assassination of returned volunteers from Creta false. The porte will undoubtedly offer generally as independence to the Cretan government under a Cretan prince.

DUBLIN, February 27.—The Fenian captain McAffarty has been arrested.

PARIS, February 27.—France refuses to relinquish the right to search the baggage of all foreigners.

LONDON, February 27.—Consols, 91; 5-20's, 73¼.

LIVERPOOL, February 27.—Cotton dull and inactive; middling uplands, 13½d.

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LIVERPOOL, February 27—evening.—Cotton a little more active; sales 8000 bales middling Orleans, at 14; uplands, 13¼. Breadstuffs dull. Corn, 37s. Provisions unchanged. Bacon, 56s. 3d. American Linseed Oil, 38s.

TELEGRAPHIC MARKETS.

ST. LOUIS, February 27.—Tobacco unchanged. Cotton dull; middling, 28c. Flour and wheat unchanged. Corn, 56@58c. Oats, 71@73c. Provisions firmer and unchanged. Lard firmer and unchanged. Whisky very dull, $2 20.

NEW YORK, February 27.—Cotton is more active, owing to the advance of gold; sales of 7,00 bales at 31@31¢. Flour and wheat unchanged. Corn, 86@88c. Oats, 71@73c. Provisions firmer and unchanged. Lard firmer and unchanged. Whisky very dull, $2 20.

CINCINNATI, February 27.—Flour unchanged. Corn, 63@78c. Whisky, $2 25. Pork, $20 25. Bulk meats firmer at 7½@9c. Bacon, 9½@12c; sugar-cured hams, 15½c. Lard—sales of 1600 tierces at 11½@12c. Sugar firmer; raw, 12@15c. Coffee—Rio, 26@28c. Molasses firm at 85@90c. Tobacco active at full prices.

LOUISVILLE, February 27.—Tobacco ranges at $2 65@2 50. Flour, superfine, $10. Wheat, $2 85. Corn, bulk, 70c. Oats, 65c. Pork, $20 50. Lard, $12. Bulk shoulders, packed

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LOST--FOUND.

HORSE LOST—
A light bay HORSE, swob tail, high headed, heavy mane, one hind foot, fast trotter, and about nine years old. Any one returning the above Horse to Forrest's Stable, on Adams street, will be liberally rewarded. jan27 tf

WANTS.

WANTED—
Men with small capital to purchase State and County Rights for the manufacture and sale of the Aurora Oil. Parts larger than any other business. For Rights apply to or address R. K. TOWLES & CO., feb21 2tawAw 46 North Court street.

WANTED—
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WANTED—
A situation by a practical Book-keeper. Best of reference given. Address Lock Box 89. feb26 3t.

WANTED—
Board, by a family of three persons. Address, A. L., Postoffice, stating terms and location. feb26 3t

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To sell the "Crescent Family Sewing Machine," the best low priced Machine made. Please send for circulars and obtain full particulars. Address, CHAS. F. HASTY, 245 Second street, feb23-6m¼-Jan9 Memphis, Tenn.

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By a competent Book-keeper a situation to post a set of books in the evening. Would ask a very reasonable compensation. Apply at No. 7 Washington street. jan8 tf

FOR SALE.

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FOR SALE—
One large Fire and Burglar-proof SAFE for sale. Apply at 266 Front street. Those wishing a good Safe at a bargain call soon. feb13 tf

NOTICES.

NOTICE—
There will be no bills paid by the steamer DE VERNON unless ordered by the Captain or Clerk. J. F. HICKS.
Bulletin and Avalanche copy. 1and tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

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No. 66 Common Street,
NEW ORLEANS.

PARTICULAR attention given to the purchase of Coffee, Sugar and Molasses.
REFERENCES:
Commercial Bank of Tennessee, Memphis; Pike, Lapeyre & Grodon, New Orleans; R. M. Kingyan, Banker, St. Louis. feb23 1f

PROPOSALS
For Twenty or Thirty Acres of Land and the Burying of Paupers.

THE undersigned Commissioners, appointed at the January term of the County Court to receive proposals for burying Paupers and furnishing the grounds, and for the same service, the grounds being furnished to the undertaker; and, also, to ascertain what a Potters-field can be procured for, not to exceed four miles from the city, would solicit bids and proposals for the above objects so as to report to the next term of the Court.
Proposals must be handed in to Esq. Creighton before the 2th day of March.
J. H. GOODLETT,
JAMES HALL,
JOHN C. CREIGHTON,
Commissioners.
Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22, 1867. feb23 1d

MEMPHIS APPEAL.
Office---No. 13 Madison Street.
THURSDAY. : : : : : : FEBRUARY 28, 1867

CITY MATTERS.

Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad.

	ARRIVE:	DEPART:
New Orleans Express.....	9:30 p.m.	4:45 p.m.
Batesville Accomo'n.....	9:45 "	2:15 "

feb24 C. P. OAKLEY, Gen. Ticket Ag't.

Notice.

The public are hereby notified not to pay to any one any bills due THE APPEAL, for advertising since January 31st, unless they have written authority from me.
JOHN AINSLIE,
Cashier and Manager.

To the Patrons of the Appeal.

You are requested not to pay any carriers without a certificate from me, and to report at the counting desk any irregularity in carriers. L. DAVIES.

RIGHT.—The damages done by the late flood have been repaired, and passengers can rely on making time and sure connection to St. Louis, Cairo, Chicago, and all eastern and northern cities. Two trains leave the depot at the head of Main street daily: 3:30 p.m. express, and 10 p.m. express mail. feb21 4t

FOR TRIAL.—The two men named Brown and Ray, who were charged with stealing a buggy, the property of Mr. McAllister, were yesterday fully committed for trial by John Creighton, Esq., J. P.

COMMITTED.—Chas. Henderson, the boy who robbed Benj. Stubbs of a quantity of gold and silver, with some greenbacks, some time since, was examined yesterday before Mr. Justice Walton and fully committed for trial at the present sitting of the criminal court.

NO BONDS.—A colored specimen of the freed race, Elvira Thomas by name, was accused of stealing a lot of underclothing and jewelry, the property of Wm. Gallaway. She acknowledged to the theft, and not being able to give the necessary bonds for her appearance at the criminal court was looked up.

HORSE STOLEN.—Some evil-minded person or persons, envying the veteran auctioneer, M. C. Cayce, in the possession of that fine gray horse, broke open his stable yesterday morning and stole the animal. The thieves probably thought as Mr. Cayce was in the horse trade, somewhat, he could purchase another that would answer his purpose as well. Considerate, very!

PLAYING CIRCUS.—A couple of gentlemen yesterday, for the want of some more useful employment, performed some feats of foot racing and circus tumbling. It was very good sport, no doubt, and soon drew a large crowd together, which attracted the attention of the regulators in blue, when Mr. J. M. Davis, a white man, and the colored boy named Lewis Rayford, were arrested for aiding and creating an unlawful assemblage on the street. The case will be examined this morning. Playing circus is not very profitable, unless a canvas is provided and a license obtained.

CUMBERLAND FESTIVAL.—The festival held nightly at Stillman hall, for the benefit of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, continues to be crowded with the youth, beauty, and fashion of our city. A new feature has been added by the enterprising managers, in the way of a lunch, which is set down at the hall, from 12 m. to 4 p.m. One great attraction to the fair is the refreshment tables presided over by the fairest of the fair, where all sorts of good things to eat, and the beverage which invigorates but does not intoxicate, are to be found. The voting for the statuary goes bravely on, and will finally close on Saturday night at 9 o'clock.

DARING ROBBERY.

The Chloroform Dodge Again.

The Thief Shot but not Caught.

Another one of those daring and villainous robberies which have become but too common in our midst of late, was perpetrated yesterday morning, at the drug store of Messrs. Walker & Tozer, No. 129 Beal street. About two o'clock, Mr. Walker, the senior member of the firm, who has apartments over the store, was awakened by his wife, who heard some person trying to throw the lock on the door of their bedroom. He listened for some moments, and being convinced that a burglar was at work, fired one shot from his pistol through the panel of the door, wounding the thief, who fell the whole length of the stairway. He was pursued by Mr. Walker as quickly as possible, but made good his escape, leaving spots of blood on the stairs. On going into the store below he found the back door opened, the lock having been thrown, the desk broken open, the papers scattered around in the most elegant confusion and disorder. Two young men employed as assistants occupy the sleeping room in the rear of the store. On entering this apartment, the smell of chloroform was very great, and on investigation he found that the robber had taken from the prescription case the chloroform and administered it to the clerks in such a large quantity that it was with difficulty they were aroused. A very valuable watch that was in the desk was stolen. The firm usually kept their money in the desk, but on the night previous it had been placed in a more secure repository, so that the labors of the burglar were not as amply rewarded as he anticipated. Had he not visited the apartments upstairs, no doubt, the stock of perfumery, etc., in the store would have been lessened somewhat. The deed must have been done by some person intimately acquainted with the establishment, and was proceeded with in a very systematic manner. The chloroform dodge has been practiced often during the past few weeks in our hotels and on our steamers, the thieves generally taking the article with them and administering it in a careful manner; but in this instance the burglar went where he knew there was plenty of it, and applied it to the sleeping clerks with a lavish hand. After receiving such a severe dose of lead in return for his villainy, he will scarcely deem it healthy to repeat a visit on a similar mission to 120 Beale street. No clue has as yet been got of the burglar, nor is it likely there ever will be. Truly Memphis is infested with thieves and robbers.

IMPORTANT MEETING.—Memphis delights to honor congressional delegations, army and navy heroes, and all other celebrated personages who will visit the Bluff City, civil or military, but we look upon the proposed meeting of the general ticket agents of the various railroad and steamboat lines in the United States, which is to take place in this city on Wednesday the sixth day of March, as one of very great importance to the traveling public and commercial men generally. If we mistake not, this is the first convention of the kind ever held in the south. All the important railroad and steamboat lines in the union will probably be represented. Extensive preparations have been made for the reception of these gentlemen, who will be quartered at the Gayoso and Overton. It is proposed to have a ball at the Gayoso on Thursday night. After the business of the meeting has been gotten through with in this city, a trip will be made to New Orleans by water. The committee of arrangements in Memphis consists of C. P. Oakley, Esq., the efficient general ticket agent of the Mississippi and Tennessee railroad; E. B. Byington, general steamboat and ticket agent, and the general ticket agent of the N. O. J. & G. N. railroad. In the hands of these gentlemen the interests of the railroad and steamboat interest is well represented. A good time will be had.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS AND MORTGAGES.—Martha Alston, deed of lot No. 1, east of Memphis, to W. H. Dunlap, for $1980; Wm. B. Greenlaw, power of attorney to R. J. Morgan; Henry Seyfort, trustee, and Jas. Oshei, owner, warranty deed to J. D. Zanone and A. Raggio, of Brilliant saloon, for $4000; B. B. Waddell, T. D. Tarver and John A. Green, deed of partition of lot No. 341, northeast corner of Second and Jefferson streets; Charles Hubbard, quit claim deed to T. D. Tarver and John A. Greer, south part of lot 137, west side of Main, between Poplar and Exchange streets, for $400; Lucy M. Newkirk, warranty deed to J. L. Anderson for fifty acres of land, one mile north of Raleigh, for $1500; Jno. D. Armour, lease for ten years of thirty feet of ground on lot fifty-four on Madison street, at $60 per annum; J. D. Douglass to T. N. and F. M. Hughes, for $5200, a lot of land on Crooked creek; Henry Cannon, trust deed to J. A. Only, a tract of land near Raleigh, for $650; R. L. and J. W. Williams, deed to W. J. Anderson of a tract of land in Shelby county for $600; W. S. Slipper to F. James and J. Etchervarne, a lot of land on Horn Lake road, to secure certain promissory notes; Mary M. Baldwin to John N. Ware, a lot of land on Vance street, near St. Agnes academy, for $1000; Elizabeth Rogers to Jasper Rogers, deed for a lot of land, section 2, range 5, of 11th surveyor's district, for $2500.

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ABLE LECTURE BY COL. LEON TROUSDALE.

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Its Resources, Manufacturing and Educational Interests.

We are sorry that our space this morning precludes our giving the able lecture of Col. Trousdale in full. We commence with the

ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE VITALITY OF THE SOUTH.

Notice the brief but brilliant career of the Southern Confederacy, once cherished by many of us here present with as much tender and earnest devotion as young love's dream. See it in the meridian of its splendor, and in the hey-day of its power, when its victorious legions mingled its battle-shout over plains consecrated by the wounds of its martyrs. Then the world rung with applause. Then the nations exulted with their salvos. Then the press teemed with its homage. It has fallen. Its gallant and glorious armies have surrendered to superior forces, and succumbed to overwhelming resources. It is no longer a nation manfully struggling for rights. The states have become conquered provinces and the people rebels. The vocabulary of the victors prevails. Its condition is not recognized as the result of misfortune, of the fortune of crime, or, in the most lenient sense, of error. We appeal to the history and observation of all audience if this is not so. In this general award we leave out of view the judgment and opinion of the fanatical and discriminating, and of those who boldly think and judge for themselves in any emergency and under all circumstances. Such as these are the heroic-minded and the free who live in the realm of thought which they build for themselves and decorate with the high art which springs from their own intrepid genius and manly virtues. With these and such these Lee stands forth in the colossal proportions which he assumed at Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness, and the trenches of Richmond. The sober gown which he now wears decorates his manly person as much as the martial costume that he wore upon the fields of his renown, when his heroic host surrounded him, and checked the rush of his impetuous steed, throwing themselves as a wall of fire in his front. With these and such as these the gallant and lamented Jackson still "stands like a stone wall," as he did at the first Manassas, grand, immovable and historic.

LOOKING AT OUR SITUATION,

we perceive that those southern states so located in the most genial, productive and salubrious latitude of the world's surface, with a variety and value of production, for temperateness of climate, free alike from tropical heat and frigid cold; our fecundity of soil and adaptation to all the staples, cereals, roots, fruits and grasses of the temperate zone, and, without exaggeration, that no country on the globe can surpass, or even equal it. Cotton is emphatically here the king of staples. Staple of culture, its principal auxiliaries have been sugar, rice and tobacco, yet no horse and to the planter none more valuable; the capacity of the southern states to produce superior horses, cattle and sheep, the indigenous grasses of many parts of the south are unsurpassed. The trees may blush with a regal magnificence. The cities may be grand, the country flourishing. We, the SURVIVORS OF THE HEROES, connot, dare not forget the sacred lesson which they have taught by their deeds. We may live in the loveliest and most favored land under the sun. The flowers, the fruits, all the productions of nature may be the choicest and most perfect. The climate may be divine, the most genial, the atmosphere the most invigorating. The blossoms may bloom with a freshness and beauty unsurpassed. The trees may blush with a regal magnificence. The cities may be grand, the country flourishing. We can have peace and tranquility, and yet, if we never cause they espoused and died for. If the madness of faction did not prevent it, they would exist, in their world. But while we mocked their hopes during the fitful fever of life, the union [illegible] would create them immortality of a common fame.

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LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS

are the natural allies of the educated agriculturist. Philosophy is his intuitive patron, being nearest akin to creative power than any other effort of man, there is dignity connected with it which elevates and ennobles the mind, purifies the thoughts and motives and perfects the character. Even high art, in its best efforts, is imitative. Agriculture is, in one sense, creative. It produces, nurtures, fertilizes. Here we see nature in its most genial and generous moods and phases, improved and perfected by art, science and culture. We see the dawn of the creation reproduced in the awakening melody of birds, germinating of grain and bloom of flowers in spring time. We stand again in the garden, where God and nature gave our first parents as friend to friend, and where, alas! death came into the world "with all our woe." In the decadence of republics and the fall of empires, we, who could afford it, have retired to their farms to elaborate their productions, and that fervent statesman and philosophy, Jefferson, shunned the glare of citydom for the solitude and retirement of their agricultural employments.

COMMERCE

The battle fields of the south—the scenes of our triumphs and defeats—our struggles and our fall, lie upon the map of our land as leaves strewn upon the ground in autumn. They scarcely a spot that is so bare and poor that it has not been hallowed by the blood of the bravest and best. Our Marathon and Thermopylæ spread out in hearic circles all over the land, and beneficent harvests have been reversed in position and looking up into Heaven instead of down from its bright and flashing canopy, like mouths of the marbled dead sparkle our country's Heaven and run their appointed orbits of immortality. There, side by side, lie those who fought and died in the embrace of death. We found equal company in a common brotherhood of devotion to what we esteem the sacred cause and died for. If the madness of faction did not prevent it, they would exist, in their world. But while we mocked their hopes during the fitful fever of life, the union [illegible] would create them immortality of a common fame.

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STATISTICS.—As a matter of general interest to our river and commercial men, we publish this morning the following memorial:

The memorial committee appointed by the river improvement convention, met on Saturday last at the Union Merchants' Exchange, and adopted the following memorial to congress, on the subject of river improvement:

To the Congress of the United States of America:

Your memorialists, appointed at the river improvement convention, held in St. Louis, February 13, 1867, would respectfully represent:

That the states lying upon the banks of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, fourteen in number, had, by the census of 1860, a population of 16,909,494, or more than half the whole population of the United States. And these two rivers have a coast line of 36,098 miles, while the coast of the Atlantic is 2163 miles, and of the gulf of Mexico, 1764 miles, and of the Pacific, 1343 miles, on an outer line, or 21,354 miles, including bays and indentations.

That these rivers drain an area of 1,785,267 square miles, more than half of the whole 3,601,092 square miles in the United States; and these fourteen states, in 1860, contained 94,402,809 of the 163,110,720 improved acres, and 126,703,305 of the 244,101,818 unimproved acres of the whole United States. And the valuation of property in these fourteen states, shows $8,467,511,274 of the whole valuation of the United States' $16,077,258,157; showing very conclusively that these fourteen states pay more than half the taxes, work more than half of the improved land, have the majority of the population, and also the majority of the land to develop, of the whole United States.

By the census of 1860, the whole product of the United States was valued at $1,900,000,000, while the foreign exports of domestic produce, were only $373,289,174, or less than one-fifth of the whole product, leaving four-fifths for exchange in domestic commerce between the states.

The proportion of the whole product afforded by these fourteen states we speak for, may be judged by these returns of their produce, gathered from the census of 1860, and compared with the whole United States, as follows:

	The fourteen States	The whole United States.
Corn bushels.....	622,444,573	838,792,740
Wheat, do.....	126,740,720	173,104,924
Oats, do.....	103,293,501	172,643,185
Tobacco, pounds.....	345,689,407	434,602,516
Sugar do.....	272,650,000	270,181,000
Cotton, do.....	1,073,729,000	2,134,858,000
Rice, do.....	69,277,870	69,304,917
Hay, tons.....	9,297,745	19,083,896
Butter, pounds.....	238,091,469	459,681,672
Cheese, do.....	1	44,986,564
Hemp, tons.....	69,170	34,342,907
Hogs.....	22,225,466	3,621,925,155
Rutisuinous coal, bu	3,247,384,475	9,267,745
Horses and asses.....	4,804,631	7,400,522
Cattle.....	12,577,392	25,616,079
Sheep.....	11,276,435	22,471,275

Showing for the river states a great preponderance in the products of the whole country.

The total tonnage owned in the United States, is returned in the census of 1860, as 5,353,868 tons, and the portion belonging to the fourteen states as 996,266 tons, but it is estimated by competent parties that the steamers in the Ohio and Mississippi have carried 7,905,216 tons during the year 1866; evincing the activity in domestic commerce of these river states, and this commerce but yet in its infancy, for it is developing daily, and demonstrating that from these states has and must come the food supply for the whole nation and for export; and they must also supply the gold and silver of states which have developing so largely and quickly upon the tributaries of their rivers.

This domestic commerce suffers greatly from the rapids in the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, and from the accretions at the different mouths of the Mississippi; and, impelled by the necessities of the case, that action must be had to remedy these grievances, 413 delegates, representing the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Arkansas, Tennessee and Louisiana, appointed by the boards of trade in those states, met in convention at St. Louis, on the 12th and 13th of February.

GEORGE L. HOLMES.—It becomes our sad duty to announce the death of our esteemed fellow-citizen, Geo. L. Holmes. Nothing that we could say, as public journalists, could add to his reputation as a citizen, or his character as a gentleman and christian; yet we feel it our duty to the living to perpetuate the illustrious virtues of the dead. Having lived in this community for upwards of forty years; having been honored by the people of Shelby county with positions of trust and confidence; having discharged all his duties with strict honesty and manly integrity, he passed quietly away, satisfied with the past, and hopeful of the future. During a life of sixty years, he has accumulated a record of goodness and virtue that will be a precious legacy to his friends. His funeral services will take place at the first Presbyterian church, at 3 p.m. this day.

CHANCERY COURT—*November Term, Hon. Wm. M. Smith, Chancellor.*—Edward Tighe vs. Thomas Fox et al., final decree; Wm. E. Butler vs. J. W. Rodgers et al., decree for sale; Newton Ford, administrator, vs. John S. Clayton et al., sale confirmed; R. C. Lane et al. vs. F. D. Lane et al., demurrer overruled; M. A. Maguire vs. V. Bacigalupo, bill dismissed; J. W. Holden vs. James F. Holden, decree for divorce.

CALENDAR FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

782. M. P. Morgan vs. C. Pope et al.
784. Same vs. same.
785. J. J. Polk vs. I. B. Kirtland.
786. S. Tate et al. vs. L. Selby et al.
787. S. B. Lewis vs. C. J. P. Brown.
804. J. D. Eldridge vs. J. P. Brown.
808. J. M. Watt et al. vs. M. W. Caldwell.
809. J. N. Lee vs. James M. Watt.
871. S. C. Mount vs. Anna H. Masterson.
872. W. W. Ritchie vs. N. H. Stout.
876. Bell, Peace & Lavender vs. J. Hunter et al.
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886. E. A. Walker vs. T. A.
887. Mary Flaherty vs. James H. McNeil.
894. Mary Flaherty vs. quaker Insurance Co.
895. Thomas Hill vs. C. Dull et al.
900. S. R. Burford vs Memphis Bulletin Co.
902. A. C. Ketchum et al. vs. P. Dewet al.
905. Wm. W. Walt vs W. H. Stovall.

A Card.—In justice to myself, I am compelled to deny a report that seems to be pretty industriously circulated in the country by some malicious person, that the cholera is at the Worsham House, but only doing me serious injury, but also injuring the business prospects of the city. I would be unnecessary for me to contradict this malicious falsehood in this city, but for the information of my friends in the country, and the traveling public, I can say there never was a case of cholera in this House, nor do I believe any exists in the city at present, and a man who would maliciously state such a falsehood, ought not to live, much less be employed in any public capacity, and will sooner or later be brought to justice.
feb28 1wd&wlt J. J. WORSHAM.

Commercial Colllege.—Dolbear's far famed commercial college, at No. 230 Main street, continues in full blast. Every facility is offered students to complete a good business education. Bookkeeping in all its branches is successfully taught at this college. feb28-d&wlt.

A fine and tasty assortment of Spring Style of Hats, just received at the Memphis Hat Co., 269 Main street, opposite Court Square. feb28 6t

MEMPHIS, February 27, 1867.
I have never been a member of any secret organization in my life.
J. B. PORTER.

Bird Cages.—Just received, a beautiful assortment of bird cages and wire hanging baskets, and other fancy goods.
MUIR, STEBBINS & PULLEN,
feb28-1w 275 Main street.

A large assortment of school books and stationery for the city schools can be found at Cleaves & Co.'s, 312 Second street, corner of Monroe. fe26 3t

Spring Lumber.—Seldon, Williams & Co., No. 174 Madison street, have on hand a good assortment of lumber of all kinds, but to meet the increasing demand, Mr. J. Williams, one of this firm, left yesterday by the steamer Belle Memphis for the north, to make contracts and purchases. On his return a still larger stock and lower prices may be looked for. feb22-2w

House of Frank.—Everybody who knows Frank goes to see him; consequently it is one of the most popular places of resort in the city. His stock of wines, liquors and cigars is better than good, and if one desires the finest Baltimore oysters, Frank can serve you. Strangers visiting the city should not leave without going to Frank's. Go eat, drink and be merry. feb2 tf

The Society of Advocates will convene again on Saturday afternoon, at four o'clock, 2d of March, at the office of our brothers Caruthers & King, 276 Second street. A full and prompt attendance is solicited, as business of extraordinary importance will be presented. The brothers will come prepared to liquidate their indebtedness with the treasurer. The festival occurs on Friday afternoon, 8th of March.
J. P. CARUTHERS, Dean.
feb27 4t C. C. CUMMINGS, Secretary.

Fire and Burglar Proof Safes.—We are again in receipt of fourteen more of those greatly celebrated safes of Marvin & Co.'s make. Bankers, merchants and others who want a reliable safe can procure it at ORGILL BROS. & CO.,
feb10-1m Agents for Marvin & Co.

Potatoes.—Fifteen hundred large barrels No. 1 Pinkeye potatoes on board flatboat now lying in Wolf river near the mouth, and for sale by J. M. & H. C. Barter. 1w*

Information Wanted—Of Mrs. Mary McHan, who is believed to be in this city. If she will send her address to Patrick McDonough, care of Bradford & Robinson, No. 296 Front row, she will hear something to her advantage.
feb27-2t

Very Low.—The splendid stock of choice groceries at Ivinson & Gilbert's are being sold at greatly reduced prices. The firm having dissolved copartnership they are determined to sell their entire stock regardless of cost. Make hay while the sun shines; you will not always have these advantages offered. Country merchants will consult their own interests by giving them a call.
feb15 tf

Coal.—Bigley, Mellersh & Co., No. 52 Jefferson street, have spendid Pittsburg coal. Leave your orders. feb4-tf

The quickest, best and cheapest way to ship cotton to the east is by the great broad guage transit company, "Diamond Line." Through bills of lading given to all points by
CAPT. FLEM. CALVERT,
feb9tf Sup't Mem. & St. Louis Packet Co.

No. 4 Madison Street, under Memphis Life and General Insurance Company. J. G. W. Ringer has opened a first class saloon at the above place. Those who like No. 1 liquors, in a quiet way, are invited to call. None others need apply.
fe25 tf

Painters, what do you want? Plows, scrapers, etc. Treat & Hamilton, Memphis. jan31-eth4t

Planters, have you been to Treat & Hamilton's? jan31-eth4t

Just Received—One hundred barrels choice apples. Herbert, Bell & Co., 14 Poplar street. fe27-2t

SPECIAL NOTICES.

National Cancer Institute and Magnetic Infirmary, No. 365 Wabash avenue, Chicago, Ill., and No. 211 Main street, Memphis, up stairs, under the control of the renowned clairvoyant sisters, Victoria and Tennessee, assisted by the best medical talent. All the so-called incurable diseases treated as specialties. They have a certain and painless cure for cancers and tumors, an infal ible system for consumption and asthma; specifics for heart disease and rheumatism; and perfect success in the treatment of all other chronic diseases, based upon the latest discoveries in medical, clairvoyant and magnetic science. It is a fact, demonstrated by fifteen years' practice, that all diseases that cannot be cured by remedies can, by the healing power possessed by the clairvoyant sisters. Address Nation al Cancer Institute and Magnetic Infirmary, cock box 5926, Chicago, Ill., or lock box 307, Memphis, Tenn. fe

MEMPHIS APPEAL.

The following touching lines will find their way to the hearts of all who have lost a "darling" in the late war. The beautiful vein in which the story is told is the very soul of poesy. The gifted authoress placed the tribute in a neat frame, around which she weaved a wreath of evergreens, and attached it to the head board of the "unknown" hero. Beautiful and touching tribute! Mother, wife, sister and sweetheart will ever cherish the sentiments in the dearest spot of memory:

"UNKNOWN."

Written upon visiting the Graves of the Confederate Dead, in the Cemetery, Augusta, Ga.

BY CARRIE BELL SINCLAIR.

I stood beside a little mound,
Marked by an humble stone,
And read the soldier's epitaph,
In the one word—"Unknown!"
Not e'en a name to tell of him
Who slept so sweetly there,—
No name over which loved one could bend
To drop affection's tear.

The only one who sleeps "Unknown,"
Among the many brave;
Somebody's darling, though, I know,
Sleeps in that soldier grave.
Perchance to some poor mother's heart
He was the only joy;—
Perhaps that mother waited long
To welcome home her boy!

Perhaps a gentle sister, too,
Prayed for him night and day,
And watched with anxious heart to greet
The loved one from the fray;
Or it may be some maid, whose love,
Yet pure, is now dear,
Is weeping now with grief for him
Who sleeps so sweetly here!

Upon each little white slab here
Is traced some soldier's name,
And proudly do we rise to tell
Their glorious deeds to Fame!
But, ah! 'tis sad, indeed, to stand
Before this humble stone,
And read *no name*—and know that one
Is sleeping all "*Unknown!*"

To know that there are loving hearts
Would give their all to-day
To stand beside this grave, where sleeps
Their soldier boy in gray!
But 'tis enough to know that he
For our dear country died—
And stranger hands can twine fair flowers
Above this spot in pride.

Ah! here are many soldier graves—
He does not sleep alone!
And though no name of him is traced
Upon this simple stone—
There is a spotless scroll above!
And on that snowy page
Hath angel hands for thee, "*Unknown,*"
Recorded name and age!

AUGUSTA, GA., Feb. 2, 1867.

MONA.

Day and night, and night and day,
I pray, and cannot choose but pray
With lowly bended brows;
God, let the glory come to pass
Of Easter-daisies in the grass,
And green leaves on the boughs!

All sick and pale my Mona lies,
All pale and sick, with longing eyes—
A flower that dies for rain:
And day and night my heart's wild boats
Cry for a thousand sweetest sweets
To charm away her pain.

O waters, bound with curding rime!
Come dancing on before your time,
Through mists of silver spray;
And, pelting out your tenderest trills,
Come yellow bills, come mellow bills,
And sing your lives away!

O little golden-bodied bees,
With tunes her heavy heart to ease!
O wingèd fireflies, so fair,
Upon your songs of red and brown
Balance before her up and down,
And brighten all the air!

All birds with unfruitful sours
Have birth at once in perfect flowers.
I charge you in love's anger,
For whom the unsanctioned is afflict
So nearly to the sanctified,
Not Heaven itself can blame!

Then shall the lily leave the shade,
And send in her a wanting-maid,
Making her pillow sweet;
The rose shall to her window climb,
And tell her that the low-leaved thyme
Is waiting for her feet.

O drowsy-lidded violets!
Constellate flower that never sets!
And blush-bells, low and small,
And irises, and pansies, plain and pied,
And sovereign marigolds beside—
My Mona needs you all!

O star-flower, pushing from your breast
The dead leaves shine out with the rest!
And from the garden beds,
O daffodilies, made of light,
To please her with a pretty sight,
Toss high your lovely heads!

Low lying in her pallid calm,
A flower that thirsts and dies for rain,
I see her night and day;
And every heart beat is a pang,
And every breath I breathe a sigh,
O for the May! the May!

WHAT MAY BE DONE TO AID IN RESTORING CONFIDENCE.

From the National Intelligencer.

The cry comes up to the representatives of the people from all the leading commercial and financial centers, for something to be done to restore confidence and rescue business interests from the "slough of despond." It is in vain to deny this as it would be to pluck out from the excited thoughts of men in our great marts that trade is at a dead stand, and that it has been so for a long month even at the great commercial center of the continent. The merchants of New York, who rival in wealth, and probably excel in daring ventures, the famed merchant princes of London, have, through eminent men in their line, repaired to Washington and represented that the utter prostration, yea, stagnation, of business, by reason of the calamitous political condition of the country, imperiously demands an accommodation or compromise of some sort, which shall be in the nature of a covenant, with that bow of promise, that sign in the clouds, which shall thrill the nerves of the people with joyousness, and send the life-blood of prosperity bounding through every artery of production, trade and commerce. Capital is to business what a vast inland lake is to a river flowing from it, which sets all the wheels of commercial life in active motion. It is now still, yea, almost stagnant. If the representatives of monetary interests are so appalled by the exceeding doubt and uncertainty precipitated by political affairs, as to hesitate to adventure their own means, what of caution may be anticipated of that class, in the respect that they are usually, to a vast extent, the guardians of the monetary interests of others—those who do not trust themselves with the management of their own funds? Capital being stagnant, who can sell stocks or merchandise? Who will buy them? Who can buy them? Who can be trusted? Who will manufacture? Who embark ventures across the seas? What may be relied on? If peaceful counsels could prevail; if the apprehensions of the south could be quieted, and confidence be restored to capitalists and business men in the north, the south might go on earnestly to furnish its old contribution of 4,000,000 bales of cotton, and vast quantities of tobacco, sugar, and rice, to the fountain of the aggregate production of all the sections of the country. This would supply the spindles of the manufactories north, and give work and cheap clothing to the sons and daughters of toil throughout the land. The south being devoted to that sort of production best suited to it, would have demand for the meats, grains, and flour of the north-west. It would restore our half destroyed commercial prosperity upon the high seas. Such general prosperity would infallibly lead to a community of laws and interest between jarring sections, and between men of the same society, of whatever race, name, or condition.

But something must absolutely be done to effect this, to cause capital to move, to set business in motion—in fine, to cause that grand stir in the marts of trade and commerce that shall be felt in its life-giving impulses at the very extremities of the nation.

In view of the fact that members of congress, to use the words of Mr. Stevens, have each a plan of reconstruction of his own, have each diverging ideas of duty, have each a stake in the common prosperity, and have each an intense desire to see business restored from its drooping condition, and made active, joyous and prosperous, why may not all agree in the adoption of a step that will at once thrill the country by the confidence it will inspire of the good day coming of a perfect union? Congress admitted, during the rebellion, loyal senators from Virginia. Why should it not do so now? Congressional districts exist under law of congress. These districts being creations under the direction of congress, and being not at all amenable to state control, why should not men who have been elected from such districts, who are loyal, be admitted to their seats in the house? Can any man out of the excited circles of politicians give a good reason why a man from such a district, who can take the test-oath, shall not be admitted? If these propositions could be brought before congress when its strifes in each branch and between the two branches shall have ended, and when members turn in the anxiousness of their thoughts from the proscriptive course dictated by leaders, cliques, factions and mere partisans, why may not success be predicated for that still small voice of patriotic counsel which gives answer to the long-ings—yea, yearnings—of the country for a step, however small, that looks to permanent restoration of the south to the union?

MR. COWAN very forcibly exposed yesterday the emptiness of the charge against the president of refusing to execute the laws passed for the protection of the freedmen. No radical could impugn the loyalty of Secretary Stanton, yet in response to the inquiry of the senate, he reported but three cases of outrage, and declared that none others had come to the knowledge of the war department, so far as he knew, of the president. He very pertinently inquired of senators why they had not gone to the secretary, whose duty it was to provide for the redress of the outrages complained of, and whose willingness was well known, instead of pouring them into the public ear. Respect for the fair fame of their country should have induced them to attempt to secure their redress, before proclaiming them as a means of maligning the chief magistrate. Why were the alleged facts withheld from the secretary if not to influence hate and excite that fierce party spirit which, if much more exasperated, would not be willing to entrust either party in the peaceable possession of power, and so drench the land in blood?—*Nat. In.*

GEORGIA CORRESPONDENCE.

Politics in the Empire State—Despondency of her People—Organization of "Legal Leagues" throughout the State—Her Governor, etc., etc.—Destitution in the State—Generosity of Kentucky—The Crops—Freedmen—Stagnation of Business, etc.

Special to the Memphis Daily Appeal.]
MARIETTA, GA., February 23, 1867.

Editors Memphis Appeal:

Finding myself away from Memphis, for a few days, and in the midst of old scenes and faces, in the empire state of the south, I have thought it would not be without interest to you to give you a few "dottings" from this point. At all events it will be evidence of my own interest in you.

The politics of Georgia are naturally looked to with interest, as Georgia has been long regarded as the empire state of the south. And though in days of yore I have thought the title was eminently sad as characteristic as much of the prostitution of her politicians, like those of the empire state of the north, as of the true elements of empire, yet I must confess I have been gratified at her course in the late attempt by the radicals to degrade the south. She has stood square on her rights as a state. One of the original thirteen, she has not forgotten her ancient prerogative of sovereignty so successfully asserted under Troup, and while conceding all that in honor she could to the demands of the unleashed hounds of unbridled power at Washington, she has refused with becoming dignity to compromise her honor, and consent to her own degradation. From what I can see she will adhere to this course, willing to accept an enforced despotism rather than subscribe to her own dishonor.

A feeling of despondency at the political situation is apparent—but still the intelligence of her citizens is such that they can read by the light of history the not distant downfall of a party so radical and extreme as now rule the hour, led by such Jacobins as Stevens and Sumner and Butler and Ashley, *et id omne genus*, and therefore they feel they can bide the result.

But power and spoils always have their influence on the mass, and *will* carry away the weak and the unprincipled, that large class of society, which, unable to understand, or unwilling to abide, by principle, when it conflicts with profit, is always ready to plunge into any and every scheme that, according to the Yankee phrase, "*will pay.*" Hence I am not surprised to learn that in nearly all the state there are organized "loyal leagues"—secret oath-bound societies for radical ends, and in radical interests, and which are said to be composed of black and white indiscriminately. They are, doubtless, intended as a support to congress in its revolutionary crusade against the president and the supreme court, should their measures, brought to bead, provoke hostility open and actual. But whether this occur or not—whether it prove, like the know-nothing societies, the incubus which will kill the party which has invoked their aid, or live to reap the reward for their perfidy to the true interests of the country and of constitutional liberty, I would not envy the southern man who identifies himself with their black and white meetings. It must prove to such a backgammon board of unpleasant and painful reflections in the future, if not of positive material loss. So far as I can learn, their operations are confined to the negroes and such weak or corrupt citizens as know not how to avoid evil, or are willing to accept it for a consideration. The head centers of these organizations are of course radicals of the purest stripe, and *they* know what they are doing, however ignorant the deluded dupes of their designing cunning may be—and for them the more ignorant these are the better, hence their favorite prey is the poor negro. God help the poor African! How much reason has he to exclaim, in earnest prayer, God deliver me from my friends!

I believe the people of the state are well pleased with their governor, who has ably always been accounted a pure man, too pure for their acceptance once, but since their sad experience of the last six years acceptable as water to a thirsty soil. He has shown, too, by his administration of that great interest the state road, through his efficient superintendent Maj. C. Wallace, that it can *pay*, even under the present disadvantages, as well as when fully equipped and stocked, which others had sought to do but sit down at the two ends and receive the income.

I do not know who is likely to be the next governor—except that some pretentious renegade and radical by the name of Ashburn has announced himself as a candidate, with the offer of a bet on his success—but think the people cannot do better than to keep Gov. Jenkins for at least another term.

The accounts which reach you of the fearful amount of destitution in this state is by no means exaggerated. The number of persons who are dependent upon charity for their daily bread is placed at 50,000, and I am satisfied from personal observation that estimate is not too large. To provide for this large number the state authorities and the benificence of her more lucky citizens are doing their utmost; but all that they can do, in her impoverished condition, cannot prevent a great amount of suffering and almost starvation in many families. The state of Kentucky and city of New York, have been, and are still, most liberal in their donations of money and food. Portions of Tennessee, also, are doing much to give the desired assistance. One of Kentucky's noblest women, Mrs. Hughes, has been for months past, in Atlanta, receiving the supplies from that state, and distributing them with her own hands, thereby avoiding the commissions and general waste and misappropriation which is so often the case when such matters are left to those who are looking only to their individual benefit. So far, no instances of actual starvation have transpired, but it will require a great deal more to be done, as no relief can be looked for until the next crop is made. From the unusual quantity of snow which has fallen this winter, a good wheat crop is anticipated, though it is not forward enough at this time to admit of any calculation. The last crop proved such a signal failure, this season there is a much smaller area planted than last. Many farmers were so disheartened from the result of last year's labor, that they failed to sow any, and now that the weather promises such a favorable result, they are equally disheartened at not having placed more confidence in the interposition of an All-wise Providence. The preparations for planting cotton and the other cereals are general and active throughout the whole state. Strange to say, I have heard no complaint of the want of laborers, though my observation does not extend far enough to allow me to say there is not. It would seem probable that there is for in every city and town, and at every cross-road, agents are to be seen gathering up freedmen to cultivate the more productive cotton lands west.

It is not remarkable, after giving you such a statement of the political feeling and the amount of destitution in the state, for me to say there is a general stagnation in business of all kinds. Without money and without the articles of commerce, goods must lie on the shelves of merchants unsold. Failures in commercial circles cannot but be the legitimate result of such a state, and although they are daily looked for, none have, so far, occurred of any importance.

J. B. L.

A City in Prospect.

A correspondent writing about the proposed railroad between St. Paul, Minnesota, and the head of Lake Superior, says: That a mighty city will soon be built on the waters of the west end of Lake Superior must be apparent to all intelligent men. Minnesota is to feed New England with breadstuffs before long, and to furnish it with wool for her woolen mills, and it is desirable that New Englandmen should take the lead in that flourishing state and lay the foundations of the great interior city of the lakes. The climate of the country bordering on the west end of Lake Superior is much better than the interior—winters being warmer at the mouth of St. Louis river than in St. Paul, and shorter, owing to the fact that the lakes do not freeze over. The best part of the state is on the Red river of the north, which is just now being settled. A few years will see all this magnificent region filled up, and then Dakota will attract immigration.

Butler Eating Oysters.

A few days since a gentleman went into an oyster saloon in Boston, and upon calling for a saddle-rock stew observed a man near him eating a very warm stew with his fingers. "Don't you furnish your customers with spoons?" said the astonished stranger to the proprietor. "Oh, yes," said he, "but that is Gen. Butler at that table. (*La Crosse Democrat.*

Liberty in Tennessee.

The following comes to us from good authority, and is a pungent satire on American republicanism as administered by the revolutionists: A firm in Nashville, one of the largest and most respectable mercantile houses in the west, paying annually many thousand dollars of taxes, and, doubtless, well known to most of the Market street merchants, has, including clerks, six persons employed in the concern besides the porter, who is a negro. The latter is now the only one of the whole concern who is allowed a vote under the present Brownlow constitution.

The point of the joke is, that the negro was the bitterest rebel of all, and was an officer's servant in the late rebel army, and when fighting by his master's side, he was the third man over the ramparts of Fort Pillow, where he fell like an avenging thunderbolt upon the negroes, who so gallantly surrendered that stronghold.—*Philadelphia Age, Feb.* 18.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DR. DeL. LEOPOLD,
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Hundreds that are now blind and Deaf will be restored to sight and hearing if they secure treatment at the Dispensary.
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feb24 2w

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feb5 3m

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GALLAGHER & RYAN,
Attorneys at Law
357 Second Street,
MEMPHIS, TENN.
feb17 1m

Attachment Notice.
Before John C. Creighton, J. P.
J. J. Alhoon vs. N. B. Cobb.
THE defendant in the above entitled cause will take notice that an attachment has been sued out against him upon the grounds that he is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee and the case set for hearing at my office in the city of Memphis, on the 28th day of February, 1867, when and where he can appear and defend said suit or the same will be proceeded with ex parte; and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four weeks in the Memphis Daily Appeal.
JOHN C. CREIGHTON, J. P.
Memphis, January 28, 1867. jan28 4awlw

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. G. ARMISTEAD. G. R. PHELAN.
ARMISTEAD & PHELAN,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW, No. 15 West Court, (between Main and Front streets), Memphis, Tennessee.
feb23 3m

FORD, DIXON & CO.,
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—AND—
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nov25 1y

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 350 Second street, opposite Greenlaw House, Memphis, Tenn. Attention given to collection of claims in West Tennessee.
feb17 6m

JOHN HELLMAN. VAN A. W. ANDERSON.
BULLOCK & ANDERSON,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW, 340 Second street, (opposite Greenlaw Opera House, Memphis, Tenn.
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Attorneys at Law,
HOLLY SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI.
feb5 1m

S. HINSON,
DENTIST,
HAS Removed his Office to
No. 225 Main Street,
Two doors South of the Worsham House.
A. E. KENNEDAY, : : : : Assistant.
feb5 3m

LEGAL.
Trustee's Sale
OF
Tuesday, March 5, 1867.
IN pursuance of a certain deed of Trust made and executed into by and between the undersigned Building and Loan Association, Andrew J. Montgomery, A. Wright Headen and Columbus Mason, bearing date the 1st day of March, 1866, and duly recorded in the Register's office of Shelby county, Tennessee, in book No. 2, pages 15 and 16, 17, 18 and 19, on the 5th day of March, 1866,